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BOARD OF TRADE HAS BUSY FINAL SESSION

ANNUAL PICNIC TO BE HELD SOON—FOURTH OF JULY CELEBRATION WILL BE PROVIDED AT HOME THIS YEAR—NEW MEMBERS RECEIVED

Monday evening's meeting of the Board of Trade proved to be one of the liveliest of the year. The attendance was above the average and an unusual amount of business was disposed of.

Four new members were added to the roll. Favorable action was taken upon the applications of Messrs. J. L. Turner, F. W. Nuetzel, W. H. Hannaford and Milton Steinberger.

The annual Board of Trade picnic at one of the beaches was presented for discussion by President Tarr. The holding of the picnic was taken as a matter of course by all present, also the fact that it should be arranged by the entertainment committee, under the lead of Chairman Ballou. There only remained the determination of time and place. After some discussion it was voted to hold the picnic on June 26, the last Wednesday in the month. Redondo Beach was specified as the first choice of those present, on account of the picnic facilities and opportunities for enjoyment in many ways.

Work on the proposed advertising folders was reported to be at a temporary halt on account of the removal from town and consequent resignation of Chairman Noble of the advertising committee. However, the need of advertising matter for promiscuous distribution was expressed by several to whose attention it had come. The fact was mentioned that there is a constant demand upon the information bureaus of Los Angeles for literature regarding Sierra Madre, with nothing to meet it. After some discussion the advertising committee was instructed to proceed with the publication of such a folder as they thought best at a cost not to exceed $75

An editorial in last week's News regarding a Fourth of July celebration was indorsed by President Tarr, who thought the enterprise a proper one for the Board of Trade to take up. On motion the president was instructed to appoint a committee of five to arrange a celebration attractive enough to keep the greatest possible number of people in Sierra Madre on that day. The committee was appointed as follows: Messrs. J. A. Patterson, J. W. Keys, George B. Morgridge, G. Hallett Johnson and Victor Hill. They will have full power to raise necessary funds, arrange a suitable program, see that it is carried out and draft all necessary assistants, especially the latter.

The condition of the approaches to Sierra Madre having been mentioned, Chairman Jones of the board of city trustees explained what had been undertaken by the city. Plans had been made by Mr. Hosmer, the late street superintendent, to have Sierra Madre Avenue between Live Oak and Grand View, put into as good condition as possible by surface oiling. Arrangements made for the beginning of work last week were delayed by Mr. Hosmer's unexpected demise but were carried out as soon as possible. Mr. Jones also reported that the authorities of Arcadia had promised to put into good condition that portion of Baldwin Avenue just south of our city limits and lying within the "shoestring" strip, and that the county road officials had promised to continue the good work as far south as the county road. There is consequently a prospect that both of the main highway approaches will cease to offer discouraging obstacles to travelers to and from Sierra Madre

J. W. Keys brought to the attention of the Board the interest and valuable services rendered in Board of Trade affairs by the late N. H. Hosmer. Upon his motion, the president appointed a committee consisting of A. S. Mead, George B. Morgridge and C. W. Jones to draw up suitable resolutions expressing the respect of the Board for their lamented coworker and their sympathy for those bereaved

W. E. Farman brought up the matter of the high power feeder wire on Baldwin Avenue connecting the Pacific Electric trolley wires with the sub-station at Arcadia. The poles, he said, were not of the height required by law, making them dangerous to linemen working on other poles along the street and interfering with telephone service on that street. It was suggested by J. D. Mackerras that the committee on streets was making satisfactory progress with the joint pole commission of the various power companies toward the end of ridding some of our streets of a multiplicity of poles and that they could handle the present problem advantageously at the same time. It was finally voted to refer the matter to that committee for action.

The annual summer vacation of the Board was brought to mind by J. W. Keys. Consequently the adjournment closed the regular sessions of the Board for the next three months.

'BOARD FOR REDONDO

ARRANGEMENTS MADE FOR ANNUAL PICNIC OF THE BOARD OF TRADE

Chairman Ballou of the Board of Trade's entertainment committee completed arrangements yesterday with the Pacific Electric officials for holding the annual picnic at Redondo Beach on Wednesday, June 26. Redondo was selected for several reasons. Two highly successful picnics have been held there. Picnic facilities are better than at any other beach. There are opportunities for holding a program of sports and games. There is plenty of amusement to keep the crowd busy for the length of time they will be there. And at the larger places the Sierra Madre crowd would be lost in the shuffle, being not only inconspicuous but unable to keep together and fraternize as is desired.

The Pacific Electric will give a round trip rate of eighty cents for adults and forty cents for children. Through cars will be supplied with adequate service guaranteed provided tickets are purchased early enough to permit an accurate estimate of the number of passengers to be expected. Mr. Ballou reports that tickets will be placed on sale within a few days and it is highly important that they be purchased early, so that adequate accommodations can be provided.

INTERESTING LECTURE RECITAL

No more delightful program has been given in Sierra Madre in many months than that given last night under the auspices of the Woman's Club by Mrs. Lou V. Chapin, assisted by Miss Bessie Chapin and Miss Mary O'Donoughue. Their program dealt with Bohemia, one of the most interesting countries of Europe. Mrs. Chapin, who is an accomplished reader, gave an introductory historical sketch of these liberty and culture loving people, who have maintained a national life and character in spite of the fact that their land has been the pawn of larger and stronger nations, and the scene of cruel oppression. Characteristic legends and romantic tales were related and listened to with keen interest by the audience. Interspersed through the readings of Mrs. Chapin were violin selections by her talented daughter, Miss Bessie Chapin, and piano selections by Miss O'Donoughue. In addition to folk songs the selections were from Bohemian composers Dvorak, Dussek, Friml and Kocian. Miss Chapin's playing was the most popular feature of the program, her tones being mellow and her interpretations pleasing. Miss O'Donoughue's solo numbers and accompaniments were artistic and brought invariable applause.

NEW RANGER HERE

Sierra Madre again has a resident forest ranger in the government service. W. Krowl has taken the position made vacant by the resignation of Ranger George Crow several months ago. He has taken up his residence in the old Sturtevant house in the canyon back of the Mt. Wilson stables. He will have charge of the trails and patrol duty between Eaton's canyon on the west and Monrovia on the east.

WORKING FOR INDIAN SCHOOLS

Rev. F. G. Collett was in Sierra Madre last week in the interest of the Indian school work in this state. There are about 19,000 Indians in the state, including about 3,800 children of school age without opportunity even to learn to read and write. The state laws provide for the establishing of separate schools for Indian children, to overcome the objection of race prejudice to the admission of these children to the common schools. One school has already been established at Colusa under state and county supervision and it is hoped that the movement which Rev. Collett represents will result in the establishment of other schools of the kind where there is need for them. It is hoped by this means to keep the Indian home life intact, so that parents and children can obtain together the growth and development which will result instead of educating the children away from home so there will be no point of contact when the school work is ended. All of the people working in this movement are working without pay but there is a certain amount of necessary expense which must be met by voluntary contributions, which will be received by Rev. Collett, who may be reached at the Snow Hotel, Los Angeles. Mrs. E. Wood Davis of Sierra Madre has volunteered to take up the work and devote some time to it. She will make her headquarters at Colusa.

Mrs. S. Miller and her daughter, Mrs. Eleanor Bourne, have left for Alberta, Canada, where they will spend the summer months. They were accompanied by Master Willie Miller who has made his home with his aunt and grandmother for the past two years.

PEDIGREES FOR TREES

FRUIT EXPERT RECOMMENDS A SAFEGUARD AGAINST SALE OF POOR STOCK

It has been shown how the Washington Navel orange possesses the sporting habit to a high degree. Attention has been called to the fact that after years of propagation of citrus trees from bud wood indiscriminately cut, our orchards and especially the younger ones are beginning to contain far too large a proportion of worthless Navel degenerates. At the State Fruit Growers Convention at Pomona two years ago, the writer drew attention to the seriousness of this state of affairs.

The great problem before the orange growers at the present time is how to increase the average number of boxes per acre and at the same time improve the quality. After all expenses of production are taken care of, any increase in the yield will mean much greater profits, as the additional product will have to meet the expense of disposition only.

In the first place and in regard to existing groves which contain barren or "hobo" trees, there is evidently only one solution and that consists in removing the tops of all barren or otherwise undesirable and unprofitable trees and budding them over to pure Washington Navel. No amount of cultivation, fertilization or irrigation will make a hobo tree change its habit. Budding over is the only remedy.

In the second place and in regard to all future orange orchards the problem is: How are we to put a stop to the distribution and planting of all such worthless hobo trees?

My plan is for some state agency to offer to furnish to any nurseryman or private grower making application therefor, a trained inspector who will carefully examine the trees and their fruit from which buds are desired. If these conform to the high standard set the inspector will personally supervise the cutting of buds and will oversee in person the setting of the buds in the root stocks. After the buds are placed, the inspector will attach to each tree a metal seal with copyrighted monogram bearing the name of the variety and the kind of root stock. This seal is to be attached in such a way that it will remain on the tree while passing through the avenue of trade and until the final owner breaks and discards it after the tree is set in its permanent position in the orchard.

It is not proposed to advocate any law to compel nurseryment to handle sealed trees only, for the public will certainly demand sealed trees and be glad to pay more for them as soon as they are available.

At present the government inspects and guarantees the freedom from disease of all meats slaughtered in the great packing houses. The state analyzes our fertilizers, insecticides and commercial feeding stuffs. Many cities have laws stating a standard for milk at retail, the amount of moisture allowable in butter, etc. And yet the person who comes here, secures land and buys orange trees to plant on it, has no possible way of determining whether the trees were budded from standard Navels or from hobo, Australian degenerates. Is there not a demand for some system by which trees with known antecedends may be placed on the market? I think there is.

In these days there is a great deal of talk about "pedigreed" nursery stock. Usually what is sold as pedigreed stock is stock whose scions are said to have been cut from a tree or trees which are said to have yielded exceptionally well. This is good so far as it goes, but it does not protect from ignorant or careless dealers. The unit of the plant it not tree; it is the bud. The term "pedigree" refers to animals, not plants. One Navel orange tree may be composed of several entirely different things, some good, some bad. And, again, what assurance has the purchaser that the stock was really propagated as the nurseryman claims. In all cases the sale will depend on the faith of the buyer in the honesty of the nurseryman. Now there are a number of progressive citrus nurserymen in California who use great care in cutting buds and whose trees have made a splendid reputation. The employes of the best nurserymen, however, may occasionally get different varieties mixed in handling. This could not occur if every tree bore its seal. No doubt the most reliable nurserymen would be the first to welcome an official seal into their nurseries.

Our greatest source of trouble lies with the many non-professional propagators who have been operating so extensively since the price of trees has been high. In many small towns the school boys have secured the use of vacant lots and by working afternoon and Saturdays raise a few hundred citrus trees which they sell to buyers who make a business of collecting such small lots. These are all assembled and sold either to planters or to large dealers. In many cases such lots are badly mixed, even as to varieties, and when it comes to learning the particular strain of Navel or pomelo the buyer is left wholly in the dark. Under the proposed plan these amateur growers could continue operations as before, but the person who wanted standard trees and was willing to pay for officially sealed trees would be thoroughly protected from the ignorance or carelessness of the amateur propagator. Of course if a school boy wished to raise sealed trees himself he could do so by applying for inspection, but the cost of inspecting a small lot would be relatively greater.

The question as to whether the state should furnish this proposed service entirely free is a matter for discussion. It is my belief that a small charge should be made at the time the inspector is applied for. This would tend to insure the keeping of appointments. All applications would have to be made considerably in advance in order that the number of inspectors needed might be provided and their schedules arranged.

While there are a good many details to be worked out, the fundamental idea is this: the state should provide an inspection service for the benefit of citrus growers which will result in the production and sale of high-class standard citrus trees in all varieties, each tree bearing an official seal which assures the buyer that the bud was cut under strict scientific supervision and that the trees are right.—Dr. J. Eliot Coit in California Cultivator.

SIERRA MADRE RAINFALL

Season 1911-1912

1911	
October	.10
November	.08
December	.94
1912	
January	.23
February	
March	15.38
April	4.33
May	1.53
June 13	.07
Total to date	22.66

Average rainfall for June thirteen one hundredths of an inch.

Highest rainfall in June over 23 years 1.48 inches in 1899.

Rainfall for corresponding period in 1911, 32.38 inches.

THE HOSMER FUNERAL

Funeral services for the late N H. Hosmer whose final summons was reported in last week's News were held at the home on Sunday afternoon. Rev. W. H. Hannaford of the Congregational Church was in charge of the service and spoke appropriately of the life of Mr. Hosmer in the community. Hymns were sung by a quartet composed of Mrs. H. I. Hawxhurst, Mrs. J. J. Graham, Messrs. J. A. Osgood and J. J. Graham. The pallbearers were Messrs. Jones, Graham, Pegler and Steinberger, associates of Mr. Hosmer on the board of city trustees, and Messrs Kersting and Dickson. The remains were cremated for removal to the old home in Massachusetts. The services were among the most largely attended ever held in Sierra Madre, the friends who had gathered to pay their last respects filling and surrounding the house.

HIGHLAND PARK ASSEMBLYMAN CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS

Yielding to much urging by his friends in Highland Park and by many of the newspaper fraternity of the county, Assemblyman Charles H. Randall, editor of the Highland Park Herald, has promised to consider becoming a candidate for congress in the Ninth district. This district comprises practically all of the county outside of Los Angeles, and a small portion of that city, its lines having been drawn by Randall in the Assembly largely to give the country section control of a congressman.

N. W. TARR FOR CITY TRUSTEE

CHOSEN TO FILL VACANCY

Municipal Board Holds Brief Regular Session and Adjourns to Later Date

The city trustees held only a brief session at their meeting last evening, it being the first regular meeting since the demise of Trustee Hosmer. As was to be expected, the genial "Uncle" was sadly missed from the chair which he had regularly occupied since the incorporation of the city save when he filled the chairman's place. New arrangements will have to be made for the adjournment of the board, that motion having been his particular prerogative. Appropriate resolutions of respect and condolence were adopted by the board.

It was thought best to proceed immediately with the selection of a trustee to fill the vacancy. Accordingly the unanimous vote of the board was given to N. W. Tarr for the position. Mr. Tarr only consented to accept the position after mcuh persuasion and his selection will probably prove satisfactory to every one. His business ability is recognized and he will in a sense give representation to the commuter element, which has had no representative from its ranks for four years.

EPISCOPAL SERVICES

Church of the Ascension, the Rev. Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Second Sunday after Trinity. Holy communion, 7:30 a. m. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; morning prayer and sermon, 11 a. m. All are cordially invited.

CONGREGATIONAL SERVICES

Rev. W. H. Hannaford, the pastor, will speak at the Congregational Church next Sunday morning on "The Problem of Christian Living." In the evening the theme will be "How to Realize Our Noblest Ideals." A cordial invitation is extended to all to attend all the regular services of the church. Young people are especially welcomed and considered in the evening.

BEGINS CITY ASSESSMENT

J. L. Turner started in yesterday afternoon to make the city assessment for the current year, acting as deputy for City Assessor Perry. He will begin in earnest today but wanted to get a little work in yesterday to avoid beginning the work on Friday and perpetrating as much bad luck on the city as last year's assessment proved to be.

AWAITING WATER DECISION

Judge Conrey took the matter under advisement of fixing the amount of damages to be paid by the city to the Baldwin estate for their Little Santa Anita canyon water rights, after the conclusion of arguments on both sides Wednesday afternoon. Last Saturday he came to Sierra Madre to make a personal inspection of the canyon and tunnels and of the land south of Sierra Madre with its various sources of water supply. No intimation has been received as to when the decision may be expected.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Gray will be pleased to hear of their prospective return to Sierra Madre after an absence of a year, spent in Bridgeport, Conn

FORESTS AND WATER

STRIKING DIFFERENCE BETWEEN FORESTED AND DEFORESTED AREAS IN MOUNTAINS

Recent investigations by the United States Geological Survey in the White Mountains are of interest in Southern California as showing the effect on mountain streams of having the drainage areas well forested. The investigations in the White Mountains were conducted primarily to ascertain the effect of forestation on navigable streams. However, the conclusions are just as applicable to those mountain streams whose use for water supply makes their dependability even more essential.

That the forest cover of the White Mountains has a distinct and measurable effect upon the navigable streams which head in that direction is the unequivocal and emphatic statement of the Geological Survey. The Director of the Survey has filed his preliminary report on the White Mountains with the National Forest Reservation Commission, and, as earlier announced, the findings are favorable to the purchase of lands under the Weeks law.

The report of the Geological Survey is based on the results of exhaustive investigations and specific field tests which have been carried on during the last year. The investigations are believed to solve definitely a problem that has long been a source of strenuous contention among scientists, including the friends of forest conservation, and while these investigations have direct reference to the entire White Mountain area, they establish a principle which is of far wider application.

The Weeks Forest Reservation Law places upon the Geological Survey the responsibility of establishing, before purchase, the fact that forest lands have an effect upon the navigability of navigable streams, and the law provides that the Survey shall make a field examination of every tract offered to the government for sale thereunder. The Survey has insisted on following the plain mandate of the law and making such examinations, not at an office desk but actually on the ground, in a thoroughgoing, scientific manner.

In the southern Appalachian Mountains tracts aggregating 1,962,800 acres have been certified to by the Geological Survey as affecting the navigability of streams by reason of the excessive erosion which follows deforestation in these areas. Owing to the geologic conditions in the White Mountains, no excessive erosion, according to the Survey geologists, can be shown to follow deforestation. Therefore the Survey carried forward its further investigation in the White Mountains along the lines of trying to show that deforestation and subsequent burning of the forest mulch results in a more rapid run-off and therefore tends to make unstable the flow of streams.

The hydrometric showing presented in the preliminary report covers results on two small, almost exactly similar drainage basins of about 5 square miles, each, on the east branch of Pemigewasset River, one largely clothed with virgin timber and the other deforested and burned. The facts observed are so striking as to render the position of the Survey impregnable. Careful measurements of precipitation over the areas and of the run-off of the respective streams show that not only was the snow held better in the forested area, but that during a period of 17 days in April, including three extended storms, the run-off of the streams in the deforested area was a comparative flood—practically double that of the stream flowing through the forested area, as shown graphically below

Run-off Shoal Pond Brook (forest area) during three storms in April, 1912.

6.48 inches.

Run-off of Burnt Brook (deforested area) during same storms.

12.87 in.

Diagram comparing run-off from forested and deforested basins.

In the Shoal Pond Brook basin (the forested area) the Survey established 7 rain gages and 20 snow gages and the engineers visited these continually during the winter on snowshoes, the snow being from 4 to 7 feet deep; in the adjoining Burnt Brook basin (the deforested area) it established 9 rain gages and 18 snow gages. On both streams hydrometric stations were established and the stream flow determined with a high degree of accuracy. The Survey report shows that the maximum flood flow from the forested basin was only 67 per cent of that from the deforested basin.

During the period of these storms Burnt Brook (deforested) contributed a much greater volume of water to Pemigewasset River than did Shoal Pond Brook (forested). "The stream of the forested basin is observed to be the steadier of the two and in proportion to its drainage area it tends—at least during the spring months—to promote a steady flow of water in the master stream of which it is a tributary."

Sierra Madre Directory

BOARD OF TRUSTEES—C. W. Jones, Chairman, J. J. Graham, N. H. Hosmer, J. C. Pegler, L. E. Steinberger. Regular meetings in City Hall, second and fourth Thursday evenings.

City Clerk, C. H. Perry; Attorney, C. C. Montgomery; Treasurer, J. L. Turner; Marshal and Tax Collector, A. M. Udell; Street Superintendent, N. H. Hosmer; Engineer, W. F. Bixby.

BOARD OF TRADE

ORGANIZED to promote the civic and commercial development of Sierra Madre. Meets in City Hall on second Monday evening of each month at 8 p. m.

PUBLIC LIBRARY

SIERRA MADRE FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY—Central avenue, W. of Lima. Open each weekday afternoon from 1:30 to 5:30 and from 7 to 9 o'clock each evening. Mrs. F. B. Wheatley, Librarian. Municipal Library Board—George B. Morgridge, Chairman; H. J. Potter Mrs. E. T. Pierce, W. S. Andrews, J. A. Osgood.

CHURCHES

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL — Central avenue, at Hermosa. Rev. James M. Campbell, D. D., pastor. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; morning service, 11 a. m.; Christian Endeavor Society, 6:45 p. m.; evening service, 7:30 p. m.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION (Episcopal)—Dr. George H. Cornell, Rector. Residence, The Rectory. Phone Black 70. Sunday school, 9:45 a. m.; Morning Prayer and sermon, 11 a. m.; Holy Communion first Sunday in the month, 11 a. m.; on the greater festival and other days by appointment, 7:30 a. m.; Sunday evening service from October to July, 7:30 p. m.

ROMAN CATHOLIC—Chapel on Highland avenue, east of Baldwin. Rev. M. W. Barth in charge. Services at 9 a. m. Sunday.

HOME OF TRUTH—493 Auburn Ave. Sunday service, 3:30 p.m. Bible lesson, Wednesday, 3 p.m. Healing meeting, Friday, 8 p.m. All are welcome.

FRATERNAL

SIERRA MADRE LODGE, No. 408, F. & A. M.—Stated meeting first Tuesday in each month. All visiting Masons welcome. Club House Hall. W. J. Lawless, W. M. J. D. Mackerras, Secretary.

SIERRA MADRE CHAPTER, O. E. S., No. 289, meets the first and third Mondays of each month in Woman's Club House Hall at 8 p.m. Visiting members welcome. Mrs. Frank Biederman, W. M. H. H. Steinberger, Secretary.

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7:05	1:05	7:30!	1:42!
8:05	2:05	8:10	2:10
9:05	3:05	9:10	3:10
10:05	4:05	10:10	4:10
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STRONG HELD FOR FORGERY

F. W. Strong was brought into court last Friday on a forgery charge which had been preferred against him and was bound over to the superior court. Consequently the burglary charge on which he was to have been arraigned was held in abeyance until the more serio s charge is disposed of.

Items of social or personal interest will be received by Miss Evelyn Rice, who may be reached by telephone, Blue 33, News should be in by Thursday noon to insure insertion.

Brief Items of Interest

Miss Mae Campbell of Claremont spent the week end in Sierra Madre as the guest of friends.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Adams have come up from Santa Monica and are spending a few days in Sierra Madre.

Mrs. Frank Wright was a guest at a reception given this week by Mrs. William Anderson of Venice in honor of Princess Lazarovich.

Claude Davis is making a fortnight's trip through the northern part of the state, including stops at San Francisco and Bakersfield.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Caley and daughters were dinner guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kenyon Warren of Pasadena on Sunday.

Fred Blumer who has been in New York City for four years is making a visit at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Blumer.

Mr. and Mrs. George E Coapman and daughter have taken an apartment at the Edgewater, Long Beach, where they will spend the summer

Miss Vega Brugman has returned home after visiting her sister, Mrs. J. Henderson Childs, whom she recently accompanied to Phoenix, Arizona.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Green, who have been occupying the Littleton cottage on Auburn Avenue, have moved to East Pasadena where they will make their home.

Mrs. Harry C. Yerxa has returned from a visit at the home of Mr and Mrs. Paul Staples of Oxnard, and is spending a few days with Mrs. F. R. Yerxa.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Walker attended a card party given by the Southgate Chapter of the Eastern Star, at the Shakespeare Club, Pasadena, Wednesday night.

Mrs. F. W. Bible and children who has been engaged in Missionary work with her husband in Hangchow, China, is in Sierra Madre at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A L. Caskey.

The Ancient Priscillas were entertained at the home of Mrs. George Humphries of Carter Drive Tuesday afternoon. The ladies took their fancy work and a social time was enjoyed. Dainty refreshments were served. A number of outside guests were invited.

Mrs. E. Wood Davis has taken up work in behalf of the Indian schools at Mt. Hermon and other Indian reservations. Her house on Bonita will be occupied by Mr. Mangold and family during her absence. Mrs. Littleton who has resided with her will spend the summer in Long Beach.

Mrs. W. J. Lawless and Mrs. J. A. Osgood attended Reciprocity day at the South Pasadena Woman's Club as representatives of the Sierra Madre Woman's Club. The ladies were met at Oneonta Park with automobiles, and a trip made through the Arroyo Seco as far as Devil's Gate. This is the ground that is under discussion for a park, and that subject was the main one for the day. Almost every club woman is interested in this movement, and Sierra Madre people should take an interest, as we would be connected by the Huntington Boulevard. Mrs. Andrew Stewart Lobengier has been interested in this project for eight years. A picnic lunch was served in Sycamore Park.

The engagement of Miss Helen Morrow to Mr. James Chapman of Los Angeles was announced at a charmingly appointed luncheon given by Mrs. John Benjamin Morrow Tuesday at her home on Sixth Avenue, Los Angeles. Covers were laid for sixteen. The color scheme was yellow, the rooms being decorated with yellow roses, Shasta daisies and ferns. Dainty place cards with names and pictures of the young couple made the secret known. Orange baskets filled with candy were at each place. The Sierra Madre guests were: Mmes. W. J. Lawless, G. Hallett Johnson, W. H. Ingraham, Edgar W. Camp, Henry Bullock, S. C. Davis, Mary Davis Goodfellow and M. N Olds, and Miss Evelyn Rice.

A farewell party was given Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. Bourne of Grand View and Auburn for Master Willie Miller, previous to his departure for his home in Alberta, Canada. A pleasant evening was passed by the young folks, toward the close of which tempting refreshments were served. During his stay in Sierra Madre Master Willie has won many young friends who parted from him with much regret The guests were Elizabeth Krebs, Winifred Wallace Lucile Wallace, Isabelle Craig, Dorothy Mitchell, Bae Farman, Ruth Brooks, Margaret Bravinder, Kellogg Krebs, Gordon Brooks, Richard Bravinder, Harold Craig, Curtis Flint, Franklin Wright, Harry Caskey, and Charles Klunk.

Thirteen girl friends were invited to the home of Mrs. B B. Bravinder Friday afternoon to celebrate the thirteenth birthday of Miss Margaret Bravinder. It was a "ladies' party," so all the children came attired in "grown up" clothes borrowed for the occasion. Assumed dignity was soon forgotten however and games of all descriptions indulged in, including charades and a hunt on the lawn for a hidden treasure. The general color scheme of pink was carried out in the dainty refreshments. The children present were Misses Elizabeth Krebs, Lucile Whitworth, Margaret Allen, Helen Seeley, Hallett Johnson, Lorraine Wright, Muriel Tarr, Irene Coapman, Eleanor Hinton, Dorothy Mitchell, Virginia Jones, and Louise Fransiscus of the Sierra Madre Villa.

The Misses Ella, Edith and Mildred Couch, formerly of this city, were visiting friends here Sunday.

The Dickens Club was pleasantly entertained at the home of Mrs. W. S. Andrews Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Frank Wright and family leave the first of July for Chicago and other eastern cities to remain indefinitely.

Herbert Ingraham has taken a position with the Clune theater orchestra in Los Angeles after enjoying a brief vacation.

Miss Luella Curran of Pasadena and Miss Grace Heflinger of Stanford University were visiting friends here this week.

Mrs. George Letteau was hostess at a charming little luncheon given at her home on West Central Avenue, Monday, for a few out of town friends. Places were arranged for seven, the guests being Mrs. L. O. Swope, Miss Swope and Mrs. Phelps of Los Angeles, and Mrs. J. W. Spratley of Santa Monica.

The members of the Eleven and One Club enjoyed a theater party at the performance of "Peg 'o My Heart" at the Burbank Thursday night. The party consisted of the Misses Ethel Powell, Verna Trible, Marian Decker, Muriel King, Maybelle Caley, Hilda Caley, Mildred Sherman, Ruth Sparks, Dedry Trible, Fae Trible, and Etta Dickson.

Mrs. Sarah J. Gill and her daughter, Mrs. Ohio L. Wade of Indianapolis, who is visiting here, have just returned from a motor trip through the southern part of the state. In Santa Barbara, where they spent several days, they were joined by eastern friends. They were the guests, for the trip, of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Ennis of Los Angeles.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Lawless entertained with an elegantly appointed dinner party at their home Thursday night in honor of Mrs. Lou V. Chapin and Miss Bessie Chapin who appeared at the club house last evening in the lecture-recital entitled "Bohemia." Covers were laid for nine, those present besides the guests of honor being Mr and Mrs. C. C. Montgomery, Mrs. Albert Chappelle, Miss O'Donoughue and Mr. Frank Hart.

Rowland D. Laws is in San Francisco attending to business interests.

Foremost among the social events of the week was the reception given by Mrs. W. H. Ingraham and Mrs. G. Hallett Johnson at the home of the former Wednesday afternoon. The guests of honor were: Mrs. M. N. Olds, her daughter, Mrs. Henry Bullock, and Mrs Claude Draper. The latter two are from Cheyenne, Wyo., and are guests at the home of Mrs. Olds. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion, pink Cecil Bruner and La France roses being used in the living room, and the dining room was massed with Shasta daisies. Delectable refreshments were served by daintily gowned young ladies during the afternoon. Iced tea was served on the large porch which was banked with bamboo, pepper boughs and sunflowers. The receiving line was stationed opposite the front entrance and included the hostesses and guests of honor. The ladies assisting the hostesses were: Mrs. W. J. Lawless, Mrs. Edgar W. Camp, Mrs. H. I. Hawxhurst, Mrs. S. C Collins and Mrs A. J. Rust. The young ladies assisting in the dining room and at the punch bowl were Misses Florence Vannier, Vega Brugman, Katharine Mason, Humphries, Dorothy Humphries, Jean Woodward, Hazel Woodward, Rice and Marjorie Rice, also Miss Helen Morrow and Miss Swope of Los Angeles. The out of town guests were Mmes. J. B. Morrow, Moon, W. S. Collins, Chappelle, L. O. Swope, Misses Helen Morrow and Miss Swope.

Woman's Club

At the next Woman's Club meeting to be held on June 17, the installation of officers for the coming year will take place and various reports given by the committee chairmen. The club members will be the guests of the Board, and a social afternoon will be enjoyed. An excellent program will be given by Miss Helen Louise Kimball, who is well known in Los Angeles and vicinity, who will give a reading.

A most interesting program was given at the last club meeting by Mrs Lulu M. Bloomfield, with "Wonderful New Zealand" as her subject. Her talk was greatly enhanced by stereopticon views which gave a splendid idea of the customs of the people and the scenery. She wore native costumes, and gave examples of the dancing by the native girls.

Elaborate plans are being made for the "Tacky Party" to be held at the club house, June 28, which will be the final dance of the year. It is especially urged that every one will appear in costume and the more dilapidated and shabby the costume the better, as may be guessed by the title of the event. A fine supper will be served from five-thirty until seven, a la carte, after which the fun will begin in earnest. A four piece orchestera will furnish the music. The supper menu is as follows: Red flannel hash with corn beef, 20 cents; sauer kraut and spare ribs, 20 cents; baked beans and brown bread, 15 cents; bread and butter, 5 cents; coffee, 5 cents; tea, 5 cents; pumpkin pie, 5 cents; ice cream and cake, 5 cents; Indian pudding, 5 cents.

A GIRL OF THE LIMBERLOST

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SYNOPSIS

Although a good scholar, Elnora Comstock, entering high school, is abashed by her country dress. She needs $20 for books and tuition fees. Her mother is unsympathetic, and Elnora tells her troubles to Wesley Sinton, an old neighbor.

When Elnora was born her father was drowned in a swamp, embittering her mother's life. Elnora determines to raise money by gathering forest specimens. The Sintons buy clothes for her.

Elnora, getting her books cheaply, finds a market with the Bird Woman for butterflies, Indian relics, etc.

Mrs. Comstock's devotion to her husband's memory will not permit her to sell trees or have oil wells dug on her land. The Sintons bring Elnora new clothing.

CHAPTER IV.

Wherein Elnora Meets the Bird Woman and the Sintons Are Disappointed.

AT noon Elnora took her little parcel of lunch and started to the home of the Bird Woman. She must know about the specimens first, and then she would go out to the suburbs somewhere and eat a few bites. She dropped the heavy iron knocker on the door of the big red log cabin, and her heart thumped at the resounding stroke.

"Is the Bird Woman at home?" she asked of the maid.

"She is at lunch," was the answer.

"Please ask her if she will see a girl from the Limberlost about some moths?" inquired Elnora.

"I never need ask if it's moths," laughed the girl. "Orders are to bring any one with specimens right in. Come this way."

Elnora followed down the hall and entered a long room with high paneled wainscoting, old English fireplace with an overmantel and closets of peculiar china filling the corners. At a bare table of oak, yellow as gold, sat a woman Elnora often had watched and followed covertly around the Limberlost. The Bird Woman was holding out a hand of welcome.

"I heard!" she laughed. "A little pasteboard box or just the bare word 'specimen' passes you at my door. If it is moths I hope you have hundreds. I've been very busy all summer and unable to collect, and I need so many. Sit down and lunch with me while we talk it over. From the Limberlost, did you say?"

"I live near the swamp," replied Elnora. "Since it's so cleared I dare go around the edge in daytime, though we are still afraid at night."

"What have you collected?" asked the Bird Woman as she helped Elnora to luncheon.

"I am afraid I am bothering you for nothing and imposing on you," Elnora said. "That 'collected' frightens me. I've only gathered. I always loved everything outdoors, and so I made friends and playmates of them. When I learned that the moths die so soon, I saved them especially, because there seemed no wickedness in it."

"I have thought the same thing," said the Bird Woman encouragingly. Then because the girl could not eat until she learned about the moths the Bird Woman asked Elnora if she knew what kinds she had.

"Not all of them," answered Elnora. "Before Mr. Duncan moved away he often saw me near the edge of the swamp, and he showed me the box he had fixed for Freckles and gave me the key. There were some books and things so from that time on I studied and tried to take moths right, but I am afraid they are not what you want."

"Are they the big ones that fly mostly June nights?" asked the Bird Woman.

"Yes," said Elnora. "Great gray ones with reddish markings, pale blue, green, yellow with lavender and red and yellow."

"What do you mean by 'red and yellow?'" asked the Bird Woman so quickly that the girl almost jumped.

"Not exactly red," explained Elnora, with tremulous voice. "A reddish, yellowish brown, with canary colored spots and gray lines on their wings."

"How many of them?" It was the same quick question.

"Well, I had over 200 eggs," said Elnora, "but some of them didn't hatch, and some of the caterpillars died, but there must be at least a hundred perfect ones."

"Perfect! How, perfect?" cried the Bird Woman.

"I mean whole wings, no down gone and all their legs and antennae," faltered Elnora.

"Young woman, that's the rarest moth in America," said the Bird Woman solemnly. "If you have 100 of them they are worth $100, according to my list. I can use all that are whole."

"What if they are not pinned right?" quavered Elnora.

"If they are perfect that does not make the slightest difference. I know how to soften them so that I can put them into any shape I choose. Where are they? When may I see them?"

"They are in Freckles' old case in the Limberlost," said Elnora. "I could not carry many for fear of breaking

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them, but I could bring a few after school."

"You come here at 4," said the Bird Woman, "and we will drive out with some specimen boxes and a price list and see what you have to sell."

"Oh, I do need the money!" said Elnora.

"Do you live in that beautiful cabin at the northwest end of the swamp?" asked the Bird Woman.

"Yes," said Elnora.

"I remember the place and a story about it now. You entered the high school yesterday?"

"Yes."

"It was pretty bad?"

"Pretty bad!" echoed Elnora.

The Bird Woman laughed.

"You can't tell me anything about that," she said. "I once entered a city school straight from the country. My dress was brown calico and my shoes were quite heavy. What is your name, my girl?"

"Elnora Comstock," answered Elnora. "Yesterday on the board it changed to Cornstock, and for a minute I thought I'd die, but I can laugh over that already."

The Bird Woman arose and kissed her. "Finish your lunch," she said, "and I will get my price lists and take down a memorandum of what you think you have, so I will know how many boxes to prepare. Never mind the calico dress and the coarse shoes. Dig into the books, and before long you will hear yesterday's tormentors boasting that they were once classmates of yours!"

She laughingly left the room and Elnora sat thinking, until she remembered how hungry she was, so she ate the food, drank the hot chocolate and began the process of getting a grip on herself.

Then the Bird Woman came back and showed Elnora a long printed slip giving a list of graduated prices for moths, butterflies and dragon flies.

"Oh, do you want them?" exulted Elnora. "I have a few and I can get more by the thousand, with every color in the world on their wings."

"Yes," said the Bird Woman, "I will buy them, also the big moth caterpillars that are creeping everywhere now, and the cocoons that they will spin just about this time. I have a sneaking impression that the mystery, wonder and the urge of their pure beauty are going to force me to picture and paint our moths and put them into a book for all the world to see and know. We Limberlost people must not be selfish with the wonders God has given to us. I will pay good prices for all the moths you can find, because, you see, I exchange them with foreign collectors. The banker will buy stone axes, arrow points and Indian pipes. There was a teacher from the city grade schools here today for specimens. There is a fund to supply the ward buildings. I'll help you get in touch with that. They want leaves of different trees, flowers, grasses, moths, insects, birds' nests and anything about birds."

Elnora's eyes were blazing. "Had I best go back to school or open a bank account and begin being a millionaire? Uncle Wesley and I have a bushel of arrow points gathered, a stack of axes, pipes, skin dressing tools, tubes and mortars. I don't know how I ever will wait three hours."

"You must go, or you will be late," said the Bird Woman. "I will be ready at 4."

After school closed Elnora, seated by the Bird Woman, drove to Freckles' old room in the Limberlost. One at a time the beautiful big moths were taken from the interior of the old black case. Not a fourth of them could be moved that night, and it was almost dark when the last box was closed, the list figured and into Elnora's trembling fingers were paid $59.16. Elnora clasped the money closely.

"Oh, you beautiful stuff!" she cried. "You are going to buy the books, pay the tuition and take me to high school!"

Then because she was a woman she sat on a log and looked at her shoes. Long after the Bird Woman drove away Elnora remained. She had her problem, and it was a big one. If she told her mother would she take the money to pay the taxes? If she did not tell her how could she account for the books and things for which she would spend it? At last she counted out what she needed for the next day, placed the rest in the farthest corner of the case and locked the door. She then filled the front of her skirt from a heap of arrow points beneath the case and started home.

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With the first streak of red above the Limberlost Margaret Sinton was busy with the gingham and the intricate paper pattern she had purchased. Wesley cooked the breakfast and worked until he thought Elnora would be gone, then he started to bring her mother.

"Now you be mighty careful," cautioned Margaret. "I don't know how she will take it."

"I don't either," said Wesley philosophically, "but she's got to take it some way. That dress has to be finished by school time in the morning."

Wesley had not slept well that night. By the time he reached the front gate and started down the walk between the rows of asters and lady slippers he was perspiring, and every plausible and convincing speech had fled his brain. Mrs. Comstock helped him. She met him at the door.

"Good morning," she said. "Did Margaret send you for something?"

"Yes," said Wesley. "She sent me for you. She's got a job that's too big for her, and she wants you to help."

"Of course I will," said Mrs. Comstock. It was no one's affair how lonely the previous day had been, or how the endless hours of the present would drag. "What is she doing in such a rush?"

Now was his chance.

"She's making a dress for Elnora," answered Wesley. He saw Mrs. Comstock's form straighten, and her face harden, so he continued hastily. "You see Elnora has been helping us at harvest time, butchering, and with unexpected visitors for years. We've made out that she's saved us a considerable sum, and as she wouldn't ever touch any pay for anything we just went to town and got a few clothes we thought would fix her up a little for the high school. We want to get a dress done today mighty bad, but Margaret is slow about sewing, and she never can finish alone, so I came for you."

"And it's such a simple little matter, so dead easy; and all so between old friends like, that you can't look above your boots while you explain it," sneered Mrs. Comstock. "Wesley Sinton, what put the idea into your head that Elnora would take things bought with money when she wouldn't take the money?"

Then Sinton's eyes came up straightly.

"Finding her on the trail last night sobbing as hard as I ever saw any one at a funeral. She wasn't complaining at all, but she's come to me all her life with her little hurts, and she couldn't hide how she'd been laughed at, twitted and run face to face against the fact that there was books and tuition unexpected, and nothing will ever make me believe you didn't know that, Kate Comstock."

"If any doubts are troubling you on that subject, sure I knew it! She was so anxious to try the world I thought I'd just let her take a few knocks and see how she liked it."

"As if she'd ever taken anything but knocks all her life!" cried Wesley Sinton. "Kate Comstock, you are a heartless, selfish woman. You've never allowed Elnora any real love in her life. If ever she finds out that thing you'll lose her, and it will serve you right."

"She knows it now," said Mrs. Comstock icily, "and she'll be home tonight just as usual."

"Well, you are a brave woman if you dared put a girl of Elnora's make through what she suffered yesterday and will suffer again today and let her know you did it on purpose. I admire your nerve. But I've watched this since Elnora was born, and I got enough. Things have come to a pass where they go better for her or I interfere."

"As if you'd ever done anything but interfere all her life! Think I haven't watched you? Think I, with my heart raw in my breast and too numb to resent it openly, haven't seen you and Mag Sinton trying to turn Elnora against me day after day? When did you ever tell her what her father meant to me? When did you ever try to make her see the wreck of my life and what I've suffered? No, indeed!"

"Kate Comstock, that's unjust!" cried Sinton. "Only last night I tried to show her the picture I saw the day she was born. I begged her to come to you and tell you pleasant what she needed and ask you for what I happen to know you can well afford to give her."

"I can't!" cried Mrs. Comstock. "You know I can't!"

"Then get so you can!" said Wesley Sinton. "Any day you say the word you can sell $6,000 worth of rare timber off this place easy. I'll see to clearing and working the fields cheap as dirt, for Elnora's sake. I'll buy you more cattle to fatten. All you've got to do is sign a lease to pull thousands from the ground in oil, as the rest of us are doing all around you."

"Cut down Robert's trees!" shrieked Mrs. Comstock. "Tear up his land! Cover everything with horrid, greasy oil! I'll die first!"

"You mean you'll let Elnora go like a beggar and hurt and mortify her past bearing. I've got to the place where I tell you plain what I am going to do. Maggie and I went to town last night, and we got what things Elnora needs most urgent to make her look a little like the rest of the high school girls. Now here it is in plain English. You can help get these things ready and let us give them to her as we want"—

"She won't touch them!" cried Mrs. Comstock.

"Then you can pay us, and she can take them as her right"—

"I won't!"

"Then I will tell Elnora just what you are worth, what you can afford and how much of this she owns. I'll loan her the money to buy books and decent clothes, and when she is of age she can sell her share and pay me."

Mrs. Comstock gripped a chair back and opened her lips, but no words came.

"And," Sinton continued, "if she is so much like you that she won't do that I'll go to the county seat and lay complaint against you as her guardian before the judge. I'll swear to what you are worth and how you are raising her and have you discharged or have the judge appoint some man who will see that she is comfortable, educated and decent looking!"

"You—you wouldn't!" gasped Mrs Comstock.

"I won't need to, Kate!" said Sinton, his heart softening the instant the hard words were said. "You won't show it, but you do love Elnora! You can't help it! You must see how she needs things. Come, help us fix them and be friends. Maggie and I couldn't live without her, and you couldn't either You've got to love such a fine girl as she is. Let it show a little!"

"You can hardly expect me to love her," said Mrs. Comstock coldly. "But for her a man would stand back of me now who would beat the breath out of your sneaking body for the cowardly thing with which you threaten me After all I've suffered you'd drag me to court and compel me to tear up Robert's property. If I ever go they carry me. If they touch one tree or put down one greasy old oil well it will be over all I can shoot before they begin. Now, see how quick you can clear out of here!"

"You won't come and help Maggie with the dress?"

For answer Mrs Comstock looked about swiftly for some object on which to lay her hands. Knowing her temper, Wesley Sinton left with all the haste consistent with dignity. But he did not go home. He crossed a field and in an hour brought another neighbor who was skillful with her needle. With sinking heart Margaret saw them coming.

"Kate is too busy to help today She can't sew before tomorrow," said Wesley cheerfully as they entered.

That quieted Margaret's apprehension a little, though she had some doubts. Wesley prepared the lunch, and by 4 o'clock the pretty dress was finished as far as it possibly could be until it was fitted on Elnora.

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Never touch a book with soiled or damp hands.

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Never use a pencil, tablet or anything else that is bulky for a bookmark.

How to Keep Carpet Clean.

This is a useful method to keep the carpet beneath the bed free from dust and fluff. Take some unbleached calico the size of the bed and bind it neatly. Lay this on the floor and fasten securely at each corner with pins or tape tied to feet of bed. Its removal each day for shaking purposes is a simple matter.

How to Relieve Eye Strain.

When the eyes ache relieve them by closing the lids five or ten minutes. If they have a burning sensation bathe them with hot water to which a dash of witch hazel has been added. If the whites are yellow and the pupils dull strict attention should be paid to diet

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How to Make English Monkey.

The rule for English monkey calls for a cupful of rich milk heated and mixed with a cupful of soft breadcrumbs. As soon as this mixture boils stir in a cupful of fresh dairy cheese that has been cut into small pieces and when it is melted and smooth stir in the well beaten yolks of three eggs. At the last fold in the stiffly beaten whites of the eggs and serve on toast. Made right this souffle will not fall.

How to Clean Berries.

Now that the strawberry season is here an excellent way to cleanse the berries and destroy all germs is to place them in a colander, rinse in cold water, hull and then pour over boiling water, drain and follow immediately by cold water, which leaves the berries bright, firm and plump, free from all objectionable matter. Try this, and you will never eat them prepared in any other way.

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Mr. and Mrs. Tasker Webster entertained with a little farewell party given at their home Saturday night in honor of Dr. and Mrs R. H. Mackerras and Miss Jean Craig who have left Sierra Madre to take up their residence in Los Angeles. The evening was devoted to games, music and a candy pull which caused much fun, after which refreshments were served. Other guests were: Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Hawxhurst, Madame Hawxhurst, Mrs. Mary Davis Goodfellow, Madame Mackerras, Miss Lydia Webster, Mr. J. D. Mackerras.

Lloyd E. Noble of 601 Grant Bldg., Los Angeles, reports the following exchange the early part of this week: Property located at the S. W. corner Highland and Auburn avenue, improved with 5-room new modern cottage, large lot, retaining wall and street work in, which property belongs to Mr. J. L. Packard of this city and Ocean Park, which property is valued at $5000; for 10-acre orange grove located at or near Pomona, belonging to a Mr. Robson, with house and barn complete, value $10,000; difference adjusted by cash. Total property value $15,000. It is the intention of Mr. Robson to move with his family to this city. Mr. Noble's Sierra Madre representative (to June 11th, 1912), assisted in this exchange. This makes a total of more than $50,000 in exchanges that this office has cleaned up since about May 1st, besides a $10,000 deal still in escrow not counted in above.

Mr. Harry E. Bunger of 193 W. Central (Blue 36) is from this date the Sierra Madre representative of Mr. Noble's office.

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BY THE WAY

Los Angeles police officials have determined to abolish the nuisance of the muffler cutout. Patrolmen have been ordered to take offending auto drivers into custody. If the cutout is unnecessary in Los Angeles it ought to be possible to do away with it in Sierra Madre.

"More grindstones produced in 1911," says a recent report of the United States Geological survey. Some people might wonder why, since one is enough to go around. But it might be argued that an editor who would perpetrate such a joke ought to keep his nose to the grindstone about 367 days each year.

Talk about the simple life in a country town! There's nothing to it in Monrovia, at any rate. Over there Editor Fort of the Messenger indulges in about half a column of speculation over the prospect of some "lady barbers" starting in business there. After considering the possible patronage from various prominent bachelors and widowers the Messenger indulges in a discussion of whether or not the "female of the species is more deadly than the male." And the worst of it is, Fort talks like one who knows.

After forty-nine years of single life Editor Jones of Lancaster has come to the conclusion that none but unattached ladies should be employed to teach school in the Antelope Valley. His last issue of the Ledger brings editorial indorsement of the action of the school board barring married ladies from employment as teachers. For such a youngster it strikes us Jones is getting pretty wise.

Herbert Crooks, erstwhile editor of the San Fernando Press, has started a new paper called the Coronado Strand, published down there on the outer edge of San Diego bay. The paper is published in magazine form of the size formerly used by the News, with eight pages and cover. Typographically and editorially it is a creditable production. Crooks will give the people of Coronado a paper deserving of their most liberal patronage.

An eastern periodical hints that the ladies are growing weary of bridge. Looks as if the men would have to turn over the stock exchange to them for amusement.

Now that the summer growth of weeds has just about reached maturity there is a fine chance to try out that new city ordinance which was adopted to compel the clearing of vacant lots.

HOME RULE IN TAXATION

California voters will probably have an opportunity to pass upon a constitutional amendment providing for home rule in taxation, initiative petitions for the submission of the amendment being now in circulation. The measure would give each town and county power to impose taxes according to the method best suited to local needs. The following address by Ex-Congressman McGuire explains something of the purposes sought:

I will not discuss either the ability or the abstract right of the people of each political subdivision of the state to govern themselves in the matter of raising revenue for their local public purposes. In spite of that ability and contrary to that right the state now imposes upon all counties and municipalities, regardless of their obviously dissimilar conditions and interests, the same misfit, cast-iron system of local taxation. It is not satisfactory ,nor just, nor scientific, nor rational. It may be satisfactory to some interior counties and towns, but we know that it is not satisfactory to others and we know that it is ruinous to seaport cities. California has measureless and inexhaustible natural resources, and great facilities for international commerce, all awaiting development.

No power of government can be used as effectively as the power of taxation to attract or repel the needed population and capital, yet the resources and interests of the various counties of the state are so diversified that no general cast-iron system can possibly meet the requirements of all sections.

A tax system which may be entirely satisfactory to an interior county, city or town, may be ill suited to a seaport city, like San Francisco, Los Angeles or San Diego. Surely, communities having such varied interests to be affected, for good or ill, by taxation should not be held to any antiquated rule in the matter of raising their local revenues.

This is especially true in view of the fact that Portland, Seattle, Vancouver and Victoria are already successfully bidding for the trade of our California seaport cities by the simple but effective adjustment of their local taxes so as to encourage commercial activity and to remove incentives to commercial lethargy.

Vancouver, as a direct result of her new system of local taxation, adopted less than two years ago, has already secured a tremendous increase of population and influx of capital and consequent prosperity beyond comparison with conditions in any other city on the Pacific coast, or, so far as my knowledge extends, anywhere on the western hemisphere.

Nor are these effects of local taxes confined to cities. In the Canadian provinces of Manitoba and Alberta, similar changes in the tax system of the rural districts have attracted the immigration, during the past five years, of about 700,000 American farmers, with hundreds of millions of capital, and the tide of immigration is increasing. A government report, just published, states that 129,000 of our people have emigrated to those provinces during the eight months ending November 30th last.

Our seaport cities, at least, must have the power to control and change, at will, their local taxes, as a means of defense against the attractions of commerce offered, by way of tax exemptions, to immigration, commerce and manufactures and to industry and enterprise generally, by their northern rivals.

The state has no longer any interest in local tax systems. Its revenues are derived from entirely independent sources. There is no present reason why counties and municipalities should not be entirely independent of each other and of state control in the matter of raising their local revenues for their local purposes, and every reason supports their right to raise and expend their own revenues according to their own judgment of right and expediency.

Every civic body that has acted on the question has declared in favor of home rule. None has declared against it, although some of them have not yet finally acted upon it.

The California League for Home Rule in Taxation has been organized to advocate it; the League of California Municipalities, comprising the principal officers of the cities and towns of the state, has unanimously declared in favor of it, as have also the State Federation of Labor, the San Francisco Labor Council and the Building Trades Council. The Commonwealth Club of San Francisco has appointed a committee to investigate and report upon it.

Mr. Kay, in his paper on "Home Rule in Taxation," just read to us, declares that, in his opinion, the adoption of home rule in taxation means the adoption of the single tax.

While I would be very glad, personally, if that were the certain result—for I sincerely believe that nothing could be more beneficial to the interest of our counties and municipalities and to the state, as a whole—there is no substantial foundation for the suggestion. It is true that the proposed home rule amendment will make it possible for counties and municipalities to adopt the principal of the single tax as the basis of its system, that cannot be done except by the vote of a majority of its citizens—men and women—and if a majority of the citizens of any county or municipality want to try that system, why should they be prevented from doing so by outsiders, who are not interested in the raising or expenditure of its revenues?

HEAP BIG BARBECUE

Indian Mystic Rites, together with an Old Fashioned Indian Fiesta will attend the great San Jacinto Barbecue to be given Sunday, June the 16th. On the evening of Saturday, the 15th a grand masque ball will be given in honor of the hundreds of new San Jacinto settlers. All will be there, even the Gizzly Bear and the Texas Tommy will lock finns and do the Turkey Trot. During the barbecue, or eat hours on Sunday the San Jacinto band will play that touching little ballad entitled "Disappear You Juicy Steak for You Don't Need Chawin'." Indians from the Saboba reservation close by are already installing their brush tents and tepees among the big cottonwood trees on the grounds. Ramona, of Helen Hunt Jackson fame, will be there, and unencumbered. Indian games will run wide open, the sky only being the limit. In fact everybody and everything will be there, except the thing that made Wilwaukee famous. That will not be missed. The sights you will see, and the general surroundings you'll behold will be intoxicating enough. Just call up the Santa Fe and crawl aboard. Leave the rest to us. Big excursion on Sunday, 16th (the Barbecue day). Go over in the morning and back in the evening if you wish. Fine auto roads all the way. Remember the date June 16th.

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The Theaters

Burbank

"Peg o' My Heart," with Laurette Taylor in the chief part, continues to be such a popular attraction with the patrons of the Burbank theater that the management finds it necessary to keep it on the fourth week. "Peg o' My Heart" has entwined itself around the heart-strings of local playgoers more effectually than any other dramatic offering of recent product and the naturalness and artlessness of Laurette Taylor's portrayal of the central figure is of such rare charm and fascination that she seems an actual living personage instead of the creation of a playwright's brain. Mr. Hanners' comedy itself is one of the cleanest, most wholesome plays imaginable. There is an abundance of humor of the really delightful sort—humor that never is the slightest bit suggestive or salacious, but rather the good-natured fun one would expect to find coming from the lips of such a pert little miss as Mr. Manner's heroine.

Belasco

The patrons of the Belasco theater will next week see the first western production of "The Man Between," a new play by Rupert Hughes, whose comedy, "Excuse Me," was one of the successes of the local season. "The Man Between," in its original form, was known as "The Bridge" and was used for starring purposes in New York by Guy Bates Post. In the Belasco presentation Lewis S. Stone will succeed to the Post part. The cast will also include Muriel Starr and Bessie Barriscale, who will make here re-appearance on the Belasco stage after an absence of a month.

"The Man Between" has to do with the sham of class distinction in this country and illustrates the spanning of the social gulf that frequently lies between the nation's pseudo aristocracy and the toilers who are doing the big, vital, important things. Incidentally the play touches in a new way upon certain interesting phases of the constant conflict between capital and labor. A feature of the Belasco production of "The Man Between" will be a scene representing the construction of a cantilever bridge with a realistic representation of the numerous details of the work incidental thereto.

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